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Dr. Robert A. McGuire Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety Research & Special Programs Administration Department of Transportation Washington, DC 20590

> Re: Renewal of DOT-E 12663, 12664, and 12665

Dear Dr. McGuire:

On behalf of Skolnik Industries, Inc., Myers Container Corporation, and Packaging Specialties, Inc., I hereby apply for renewal of the three referenced exemptions.

These three exemptions have the same effect - they authorize continued customer shipment of certain steel drums that might have marking discrepancies. No new construction with such marks was authorized after July 31, 2001, so we have no new production or shipments to report. None of these companies is aware of any customer incidents in transportation involving the drums under these exemptions that were produced before that date. I hereby certify that the conditions in place at the end of July 2001 remain true and accurate.

Please contact me if you have any questions on this combined renewal application filed on behalf of these three companies. Thank you.

Sincerely.

Lawrence W. Bierlein